

MEMORIAL TO GRANDFATHER
WILLIAM WALTER WILSON
BORN 1825, ARMAGH, IRELAND
DIED 1880, MIDWAY, UTAH
ARRIVED IN UTAH, 1854

MORMON PIONEER, POLYGAMIST, POET,
FARMER, MINER, AND MILITIA MEMBER.

HIS FAMILIES WERE RAISED NEAR THIS
SITE, NOW DESIGNATED AS WASATCH STATE
PARK.

HE HAD AN ESTHETIC NATURE, AND SPENT
MANY HOURS WRITING POETRY IN THIS
PICTURESQUE SETTING OVERLOOKING THE
BEAUTIFUL HEBER VALLEY AND SURROUND-
ED BY THE MOUNTAINS HE LOVED.

HE WAS BURIED UNDER THESE OAKS,
WHERE HE ENJOYED MUCH OF HIS LEISURE
TIME. LEGEND HAS IT THAT HE REQUESTED
BURIAL HERE IN A SITTING POSITION IN
ORDER "TO SEE THE SUN RISE OVER THE
MAJESTIC MOUNTAINS, LIGHTING THE BEAUTI-
FUL VALLEY BELOW."